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Re:

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, Andrew Sukawaty, Chairman and CEO of Inmarsat, and I, met with Don Abelson, Chief of the International Bureau, Rod Porter, Jacki Ponti, Fern Jarmulnek Karl Kensinger, and Steve Spaeth. The discussion focused on Inmarsat's positions of record in these proceedings, which are further detailed in Inmarsat's various filings. Mr. Sukawaty emphasized the need to maintain the 2 x 20 MHz of current 2 GHz spectrum for MSS; the desirability of avoiding a 2 GHz "duopoly" by providing for multiple MSS competitors at 2 GHz (each with the same-size spectrum assignment); Inmarsat's commitment to deploy a 2 GHz system to serve the U.S., as proposed in its pending market access request, by the end of 2010 (assuming prompt grant of Commission authority to do so); the Commission's ability to grant Inmarsat's request; Inmarsat's earlier plans for a 2 GHz band system; that the 2 GHz band presents unique opportunities because its use is not constrained by existing MSS services; and that the L-Band is becoming increasingly congested.

Sincerely yours,

John P. Janka

cc:

Donald Abelson Roderick K. Porter Jacqueline M. Ponti Fern J. Jarmulnek Karl Kensinger, Steven Spaeth.